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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
ROBERT W. BRITZKE) Group Art Unit 3725
Serial No. 09/921,430) Examiner
Filed: August 2, 2001) John Husar
For: WEAR RESISTANT CENTER FEED) Confirmation No. 6731
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HON. ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Sir:

AMENDMENT

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 8, 2002. Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be reconsidered in view of the amendments, and that each of the presently pending claims be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue. No new matter has been entered.
Please amend the claims as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 18.

Claim 16, and 17 have been amended as follows:

16. (Amended) An impeller for hurling aggregate material toward anvils, said impeller comprising:
a table; and
a center feed body,
an impeller shoe having a front face, said shoe connected by a support bracket to said table, wherein said front face has a convex shape that reduces excessive normal forces and accompanying high friction of the material against the shoe.